

REMARKS

Claims 1, 2, 8, 9, and 10-21 are pending in the present application. Claims 1, 2, 8, and 9 have been restricted into species I. Claims 1, 2, 8 and 9 are allowed. Claims 10-21 have been treated as constructively non-elected and withdrawn from consideration. Kindly cancel claims 10-21. Reconsideration and allowance is respectfully requested in view of the amendments and the following remarks.

Request for Allowance:

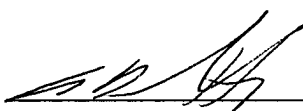
It is believed that this Amendment places the above-identified patent application into condition for allowance. Early favorable consideration of this Amendment is earnestly solicited.

If, in the opinion of the Examiner, an interview would expedite the prosecution of this application, the Examiner is invited to call the undersigned attorney at the number indicated below.

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